# INJURY PREVENTION TASK FORCE (IPTF) MEETING April 5, 2007

## **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Melissa Krall, Washoe County SAFE KIDS/REMSA

Kelly Anrig, Safety Engineer, Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT)

Misty Vaughan Allen, Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)

Fergus Laughridge, Program Manager, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), Bureau of Licensure & Certification (BLC)

Jennifer Stoll-Hadayia, Washoe County District Health Department (WCDHD)

Holly Billie, Indian Health Service (IHS)

John Recicar, Proxy for Dr. John Fields, University of Nevada School of Medicine (UNSOM)

Mike Bernstein, Health Educator II, Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD)

Jennifer Trippett, Reno Fire Department (RFD), Fire Prevention Association of Nevada (FPAN) Erin Breen, Safe Community Partnership Program (SCPP)

Mary Griffith, Health Resource Analyst, Bureau of Health Planning and Statistics (BHP&S)

## MEMBERS ABSENT

Jeanne Cosgrove, Clark County SAFE KIDS

Laurie Anne Grimes, Department of Public Safety (DPS), Office of Traffic Safety (OTS)

Robinette Bacon, School Health Education Coordinator, Department of Education (DOE)

# STATE HEALTH DIVISION STAFF PRESENT

Kelly Langdon, Injury and Rape Prevention Coordinator, BFHS Andrea Rivers, Injury Biostatistician, BHP&S Tami Smith, Administrative Assistant 4, BFHS

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Enid Jennings, WCDHD Leslie Elliott, WCDHD

Nikki Aaker, UNR Grad Student, WCDHD

# CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Melissa Krall called the Injury Prevention Task Force (IPTF) meeting to order at **9:37 a.m.** at the Bureau of Licensure and Certification (BLC) 1550 East College Parkway, suite 158, in Carson City and the BLC, 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Building D, suite 810 in Las Vegas. This was a public meeting and the public was invited to make comments. In accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law, this meeting was posted at the following locations: Nevada State Health Division Technology Way, Carson City; Bureau of Family Health Services (BFHS), Carson City; Nevada State Library and Archives, Carson City; Washoe County District Health Department (WCDHD), Reno; Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD), Las Vegas; Elko County Library, Elko; Bureau of Licensure and Certification (BLC) 1550 East College Parkway, suite 158, in Carson City and at the BLC, 4220 S. Maryland Parkway, Building D, suite 810 in Las Vegas. and on the State Health Division (SHD) website, <a href="https://www.health.nv.gov">www.health.nv.gov</a>

# **APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 4, 2007 MINUTES**

Kelly Anrig asked to change "Teaching Highway Safety Plan" to read "Strategic Highway Safety Plan" on page 2. Misty Vaughan Allen asked to change "The Suicide Intervention Skills" to read "Applied Suicide Intervention Skills" on page 3. Mr. Anrig made a motion to accept the minutes with changes. Holly Billie seconded. **MOTION APPROVED** 

# TASK FORCE AGENCY UPDATES – MEMBERS TO GIVE A BRIEF UPDATE ON THEIR CURRENT INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAMS AND EFFORTS

Mary Griffith stated there were interviews done for Dr. Wei Yang's position, Chief Biostatistician on April 4, 2007. Ms. Griffith stated she attended the American Association of Suicide Prevention (AASP) conference, and is attending the Emergency Medical Service (EMS) conference and training. Mr. Anrig stated the Strategic Highway Safety Class had a press conference with the governor. Holly Billie discussed the new Safe Native American Passenger's One Day Child Passenger Safety Course (SNAPPERS/SNAP). It was actually developed out of the office and it is a national course targeting audience's working with Native American Children. The Child Protective Services (CPS) curriculum will be updated this month. CPS incorporated SNAP into the national course also looking at the literacy level and are shooting for 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grade levels. Ms. Billie found it used widely across the country by Native American populations and also in Canada. Melissa Krall discussed the challenges in recruiting child passenger safety technicians, and receiving the initial training to be nationally certified, which is a 36 hour curriculum. It is a huge commitment and challenging to get somebody from law enforcement, a hospital or any other professional field to commit to a week of training. There is a lot of effort being put into figuring out ways to make Internet based training and video training available. Jennifer Trippett stated since the beginning of the year the Reno Fire Department had over 80 kids participate in their youth center injury prevention programs. Fergus Laughridge announced the EMS conference will be held April 19 – 22, 2007 in Elko. Mr. Laughridge also stated they have been approved for a Children's Grant in the sum of \$115,000 by the EMS Coordinator in Elko. Enid Jennings stated Washoe County SAFE KIDS just received a \$1,000 grant for Pedestrian Safety and Education during the month of May. Safe Kids week is the first week of May and they will be focusing on summer-related injuries. Ms. Jennings stated SAFE KIDS is collaborating with the National Immunization Day event on April 28<sup>th</sup>, which will enable them to reach about 1,000 children. Mike Bernstein stated unfortunately, this year Clark County had already had 3 children less than 4 years of age drown. Mr. Bernstein stated he attended the National Drowning Prevention Alliance (NDPA) annual conference on April 24, 2007 in Phoenix, Arizona. Erin Breen stated the "click it or ticket" program, which is aimed at teenage drivers/passengers, for next month will be postponed until next year. Ms. Breen stated on April 17, 2007, they had a program called red light running which called attention to red light runners; the officers ticketed people for running red lights.

# <u>PRESENTATION ON THE WASHOE COUNTY INJURY PREVENTION NEEDS ASSESSMENT</u>

Nikki Aaker with the WCDHD reported on the Washoe County Injury Prevention Needs Assessment. She distributed a handout, which summarized the results of the survey. This survey was created using survey monkey and was emailed out to 54 community stakeholders on November 27, 2006, with a deadline of December 5, 2006. The survey questions were developed collaboratively with WCDHD, the Injury Prevention Task Force, and Washoe County SAFE KIDS. Thirty individuals responded for a 55% return rate. These individuals represented 25 organizations. Please see the attached handout for results of the survey.

# REVIEW INJURY PREVENTION RELATED BILL DRAFT REQUESTS (BDR)

Erin Breen distributed a handout and discussed injury-related BDRs: see attached

On April 13, 2007 all bills introduced on assembly have to be out of their originating committee or they die. On April 24, 2007 all bills have to be out of their originating house or they die. Please go to the web page at <a href="www.leg.state.nv.us">www.leg.state.nv.us</a> for the latest bill information. Assembly is at <a href="www.asm.state.nv.us">www.asm.state.nv.us</a>, and all the senators are at <a href="www.sen.state.nv.us">www.sen.state.nv.us</a>.

#### **STAFF REPORTS**

Kelly Langdon stated she completed the five-year report for the Rape Prevention and Education (RPE) Grant. A new five-year grant period started in November 2006. Currently she has three RPE subgrants: the Crisis Call Center in Reno, the Rape Crisis Center in Las Vegas, and Tahoe Woman's Services in Incline Village. Ms. Langdon stated she has just completed the continuation application for the Injury Prevention Grant, which was for \$116,000 (down from \$120,000 last year). Ms. Langdon will be attending and assisting with Nevada's Bicycle and Pedestrian Conference, to be held April 12-13, 2007 in South Lake Tahoe. Andrea Rivers announced that Dr. Wei Yang has resigned from the Chief Biostatistician position. At this time he has not been replaced. She stated the 2005 data is not complete and there is no estimated time that it will be available. Ms. Rivers is also busy working on the first Injury Data Report for Nevada.

# <u>DIRECTIONS TO STAFF - FOLLOW-UP/RECOMMENDATIONS ON DISCUSSED</u> <u>BDR'S</u>

Diana Miles, CDC Project Officer for the Health Division's Injury Prevention Program, may be attending our next IPTF meeting in July.

# PUBLIC COMMENT AND DISCUSSIONS

Jennifer Stoll-Hadayia with WCDHD stated the Nevada Public Health Association is planning their annual conference to be held October 11-12, 2007 at Boomtown Hotel-Casino in Reno. Ms. Stoll-Hadayia is looking for a possible plenary speaker to address injury prevention and how it is linked to public health. If anyone has any speaker ideas, please let her know.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 11:37 am.

# Washoe County Injury Prevention Needs Assessment Survey Data Summary

#### **Survey Information**

- Community stakeholder list and survey questions developed collaboratively with Washoe County District Health Department; Injury Prevention Task Force; and Safe Kids
- Survey sent via Survey Monkey to 54 individuals representing 45 organizations
- Survey sent on November 27, 2006 with a deadline of December 1, 2006; deadline extended to December 5<sup>th</sup>. Telephone can email reminders sent.
- Thirty individuals responded to the survey for a 55.0% return rate. These individuals represent 25 organizations for an organization return rate of 45.5%

# **Demographics**

- 62.1% of agencies surveyed reported that they serve populations across the entire lifespan including 20 weeks gestation. Population reported *least* served was 20 years and older
- 79.3% of agencies reported that they serve all ethnic groups included on the survey
- 96.6% of agencies reported that they serve both genders
- 69.0% of agencies reported the income level of the populations they serve was unknown

# **Results of Survey**

# Type of Injury Prevention Activity/Program Needed

- 82.2% of agencies reported they conduct injury prevention community events
- 88.9% of agencies reported that the type of injury prevention activity/program that is needed in the community is *population-based education*; 58.6% of these agencies reported that they already provide this type of education
  - o 74.1% felt more data collection and dissemination are needed
  - 66.7% felt more training, school activities, and media/social marketing are needed
  - o 63.0 % felt more safety equipment distribution activities are needed
  - o 55.6% felt more community events are needed
  - o 51.9% felt more national program implementation is needed
  - o 48.1% felt more policy activities are needed
  - 40.7% felt more one-on-one education is needed and investigation/injury and death review activities are needed
  - o 37.0% felt more treatment/response activities are needed

# Injury Prevention Risk Areas Needed to be Addressed Within the Community

- 62.1% of agencies reported that the injury prevention risk area that they primarily address is child passenger safety
- 63.0% of the agencies felt that the injury prevention risk area that needs to be addressed in the community is *motor vehicle safety* 
  - o 59.3% felt more child passenger and abuse, neglect and assault activities are needed
  - o 51.9% felt more pedestrian safety activities are needed
  - o 37.0% felt more falls and firearm prevention activities are needed
  - o 33.3% felt more bike safety activities are needed
  - o 29.6% felt more water safety activities are needed
  - o 22.2% felt more fire and burn prevention activities are needed
  - o 18.5% felt more motorcycle, home, school, and recreational safety activities are needed
  - o 29.6% felt that other activities were needed, which were written-in: suicide, sexual assault, bullying, underage drinking, head trauma, and domestic violence

- 55.6% of agencies reported that the type of injury data most collected and analyzed is individual client/patient data
- 66.7% of agencies reported that the type of data *used* most often is national reports
- Some write in responses described additional injury prevention needs/gaps in the community:
  - o Appropriate use of ER/ED
  - A resource document of potential funding opportunities
  - o A clearinghouse of available funds in Nevada to address injuries
  - o Emergency room trauma e-coding for data collection
  - o Recreational vehicle injury (motor bikes, dirt bikes, ATVs, BMX)
  - Accurate morbidity data

## **Limitations of Survey**

- Survey respondents were invited to participate and not randomized
- Participation was voluntary, on-line, and with a time-limited response period
- Survey age categories did not match Washoe County's statistical data
- Agencies were not surveyed on efforts directed towards poisoning prevention

## Recommendations/Conclusions

- While contacting agencies regarding the survey, individuals within certain agencies were not aware of the injury prevention activities currently being performed by their agencies.
   Stakeholders within the injury prevention community need education on their agencies' efforts
- A large stakeholder in Washoe County (Renown) was not sent a survey due to lack of response when trying to obtain a contact person. It may be beneficial to gather survey data from them for a more comprehensive profile of activities and needs.
- More injury prevention activities are needed for: people 25 years and older, poisoning prevention, motor vehicle safety, and falls in the geriatric population.
- In future surveys, poisoning prevention should be included, and age categories should coincide with data categories

# **Next Steps**

- Share the summary of this needs assessment with participating and non-participating stakeholders as well as with other agencies providing injury prevention program/activities
- Utilize these data as a guide for existing injury prevention programming at the Washoe County District Health Department, including at annual strategic planning sessions where injury prevention priorities are developed
- Present findings to injury prevention coalitions and groups as a means of sharing data and assisting in program planning
- Use the results of this survey to guide future needs assessment efforts with the community